GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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POWER REFORMS AND ELECTRIFICATION IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering financing the power transmission network and rural electrification programmes in Orissa as part of the power sector reforms and 100 percent electrification of the rural areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any existing/proposed scheme for financing private distribution companies especially after the power sector reforms in Orissa;

(d) if so, whether any projects are likely to be executed in this regard;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : As per the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Power, electrification of balance unelectrified villages in the country is targeted to be completed by the end of the 10th Plan. A sum of Rs.17.038 crores under the Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana for rural electrification of 2001-02 and Rs.60 crores under Minimum Needs Programme for rural electrification works for the year 2002-03 was released by the Government of India to Government of Orissa.

(c) to (e) : Under Accelerated Power Development and Reforms Programme, thefollowing schemes proposed by the Government of Orissa for up gradation of the sub- transmission and distribution (ST&D) schemes in respect of the private distributioncompanies in Orissa have been sanctioned in 2002-03 :-

(Rs. in crores)

Sl.No.	Name of the Project/Scheme	Name of Private Distribution Company	Project Cost	APDRP Portion
1.	ST&D project in Burla	WESCO	87.65	43.825
2.	ST&D project in Balasore	NESCO	101.81	50.905
3.	ST&D project in Berhampur	SOUTHCO	106.03	53.015
4.	ST&D project in Bhubaneshwar	Under CESCO an Administrator appointed by Orissa Electricity Regulatory Commission	113.74	56.87
5.	ST&D project in Cuttack		57.85	28.925
6.	ST&D project in Paradeep		67.21	33.605
7	ST&D project in Dhenkanal		57.93	28.965

Total	592.22	296.11

During the year 2002-03 a sum of Rs.54.35 crores has been released as first installment for implementation of the above schemes.

(f) : Does not arise in view of reply to (c) to (e) above.